

**MONO COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 1**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING**  
**5/26/16**

Board Members Present: Kim McCarthy, Denise Perpall, Rick LaBorde  
Staff: Marianne O'Connor

MINUTES

Kim McCarthy called the meeting to order at 10:27 a.m., once Rick LaBorde arrived.

**PROPOSED NEW CROWLEY LAKE LIBRARY – JOINT MEETING WITH  
MONO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, LIBRARY AUTHORITY**

Prior to opening the CSA1 meeting, the Library Authority called their meeting to order at 10:02. Fred Stump explained what CSA1 is and its powers. He explained that CSA1's primary power when it was created was TV Service. The Board has gone through the process to increase their powers and so are able to do more things for the community. Fred explained that CSA1 is part of the County government under authority of the Board of Supervisors and is Brown Act governed. The five CSA1 Board members serve as an advisory Board. All expenses over \$5,000 have to go to the Board of Supervisors for approval. CSA1 funds cannot be given to Friends of the Library and can only send funds to the Office of Education through the County. All discussions regarding the proposed Crowley Lake Library are between the Office of Education and the Library Authority and CSA1. If the Library Authority and Office of Education want Board of Supervisors support, there has to be a serious commitment by the Office of Education that they do want to have a new library in Crowley. If you direct your superintendent to hire an architect, then you need to go to CSA1 to ask them to go to the Board of Supervisors for funding approval. The CSA1 long term commitment is to build and reserve funds for a library. Stacey Adler had asked if the cost of the design architect is over \$5,000, then does CSA1 have to go to the Board? Fred replied yes.

Once the CSA1 meeting was called to order, Stacey Adler asked if the CSA1 will be willing to absorb the monthly operating costs (i.e., utilities) of a new library?

Fred Stump responded that CSA1 has to stay fiscally responsible.

Brock Thoman asked if the County will continue to cover the utilities if a new building is put at the current site? When he approached the Library Board to get approval to secure an architect to estimate the utilities on a new building, this would have helped lead us in the direction to proceed on either location. Sue Bouska commented since we cannot afford to add to the Library budget, then it seems we cannot proceed with a proposed new library. Brock commented he would like to get a conceptual drawing in order to determine the utility costs. Kim McCarthy commented that the CSA1 Board does not

feel the library needs to be a 2200 sq. ft. building and that a 1600 sq. ft. building would be more than sufficient.

Stacey Adler commented it was good to have this discussion with CSA1 Boar members and proposed that the Library Authority Board ask all questions. Sue Bouska asked what CSA1's timeline is for projects? Denise Perpall replied the Skate Park will be completed in Summer 2017. Until CSA1 knows that the Office of Education can find the funds to support the operating expenses of a new library, CSA1 cannot agree to go after the funding to build a library. However, CSA1 is committed to continue reserving funds for a new library. Kim McCarthy commented there is \$10,000 in the current budget and also the 2016/2017 budget for design services only for the library.

Stacey Adler asked if CSA1 could apply the budgeted funds to help maintain the current building? Kim replied, yes, the Board could consider this option if the Library Authority Board or Office of Education came to them, but the goal is to construct a new library on the Crowley Lake site.

Ana Danielson asked if CSA1 could consider covering phone/internet costs? Rick LaBorde replied that WiFi may be free at some point in the near future and he has had discussions with the County regarding this, and then VOIP phones would be free as well. Ana commented that the Mammoth Lakes Friends of the Library has funding that supports the operating costs of the Mammoth Lakes Library. She asked if the Crowley Lake Friends of the Library have plans to do a similar thing? Brock Thomas replied, yes, we could do that once those costs can be identified.

Denise Perpall made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick LaBorde seconded the motion and all Board members present voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.